- (2) For each HA fiscal year, administrative fees are specified in the HA budget. The budget is submitted for HUD approval. Fees are paid in the amounts approved by HUD. Administrative fees may only be approved or paid from amounts appropriated by the Congress.
- (3) HA administrative fees may only be used to cover costs incurred to perform HA administrative responsibilities for the program in accordance with HUD regulations and requirements.
- (b) Ongoing administrative fee. (1) The PHA ongoing administrative fee is paid for each program unit under HAP contract on the first day of the month. The amount of the ongoing fee is determined by HUD in accordance with Section 8(q)(1) of the 1937 Act (42 U.S.C. 1437f(q)(1)).
- (2) If appropriations are available, HUD may pay a higher ongoing administrative fee for a small program or a program operating over a large geographic area. This higher fee level will not be approved unless the PHA demonstrates that it is efficiently administering its tenant-based program, and that the higher ongoing administrative fee is reasonable and necessary for administration of the program in accordance with HUD requirements.
- (3) HUD may pay a lower ongoing administrative fee for PHA-owned units.
- (c) Preliminary fee. (1) If the PHA was not administering a program of Section 8 tenant-based assistance prior to the merger date, HUD will pay a one-time fee in the amount of \$500 in the first year the PHA administers a program. The fee is paid for each new unit added to the PHA program by the initial funding increment under the consolidated ACC.
- (2) The preliminary fee is used to cover expenses the PHA incurs to help families who inquire about or apply for the program, and to lease up new program units.
- (d) Reducing PHA administrative fee. HUD may reduce or offset any administrative fee to the PHA, in the amount determined by HUD, if the PHA fails to perform PHA administrative responsibilities correctly or adequately under the program (for example, PHA failure to enforce HQS requirements; or to re-

imburse a receiving PHA promptly under portability procedures).

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#### § 982.153 PHA responsibilities.

The PHA must comply with the consolidated ACC, the application, HUD regulations and other requirements, and the PHA administrative plan.

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#### §982.154 ACC reserve account.

- (a) HUD may establish and maintain an unfunded reserve account for the PHA program from available budget authority under the consolidated ACC. This reserve is called the "ACC reserve account" (formerly "project reserve"). There is a single ACC reserve account for the PHA program.
- (b) The amount in the ACC reserve account is determined by HUD. HUD may approve payments for the PHA program, in accordance with the PHA's HUD-approved budget, from available amounts in the ACC reserve account.

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### § 982.155 Administrative fee reserve.

- (a) The PHA must maintain an administrative fee reserve (formerly "operating reserve") for the program. There is a single administrative fee reserve for the PHA program. The PHA must credit to the administrative fee reserve the total of:
- (1) The amount by which program administrative fees paid by HUD for a PHA fiscal year exceed the PHA program administrative expenses for the fiscal year; plus
- (2) Interest earned on the administrative fee reserve.
- (b)(1) The PHA must use funds in the administrative fee reserve to pay program administrative expenses in excess of administrative fees paid by HUD for a PHA fiscal year. If funds in the administrative fee reserve are not needed to cover PHA administrative expenses (to the end of the last expiring funding increment under the consolidated

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ACC), the PHA may use these funds for other housing purposes permitted by State and local law. However, HUD may prohibit use of the funds for certain purposes.

- (2) The PHA Board of Commissioners or other authorized officials must establish the maximum amount that may be charged against the administrative fee reserve without specific approval.
- (3) If the PHA has not adequately administered any Section 8 program, HUD may prohibit use of funds in the administrative fee reserve, and may direct the PHA to use funds in the reserve to improve administration of the program or to reimburse ineligible expenses.

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# $\S$ 982.156 Depositary for program funds.

- (a) Unless otherwise required or permitted by HUD, all program receipts must be promptly deposited with a financial institution selected as depositary by the PHA in accordance with HUD requirements.
- (b) The PHA may only withdraw deposited program receipts for use in connection with the program in accordance with HUD requirements.
- (c) The PHA must enter into an agreement with the depositary in the form required by HUD.
- (d)(1) If required under a written freeze notice from HUD to the depositary:
- (i) The depositary may not permit any withdrawal by the PHA of funds held under the depositary agreement unless expressly authorized by written notice from HUD to the depositary; and
- (ii) The depositary must permit withdrawals of such funds by HUD.
- (2) HUD must send the PHA a copy of the freeze notice from HUD to the depositary.

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### § 982.157 Budget and expenditure.

- (a) *Budget submission*. Each PHA fiscal year, the PHA must submit its proposed budget for the program to HUD for approval at such time and in such form as required by HUD.
- (b) PHA use of program receipts. (1) Program receipts must be used in accordance with the PHA's HUD-approved budget. Such program receipts may only be used for:
  - (i) Housing assistance payments; and
  - (ii) PHA administrative fees.
- (2) The PHA must maintain a system to ensure that the PHA will be able to make housing assistance payments for all participants within the amounts contracted under the consolidated ACC.
- (c) Intellectual property rights. Program receipts may not be used to indemnify contractors or subcontractors of the PHA against costs associated with any judgment of infringement of intellectual property rights.

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## § 982.158 Program accounts and records.

- (a) The PHA must maintain complete and accurate accounts and other records for the program in accordance with HUD requirements, in a manner that permits a speedy and effective audit. The records must be in the form required by HUD, including requirements governing computerized or electronic forms of record-keeping. The PHA must comply with the financial reporting requirements in 24 CFR part 5, subpart H.
- (b) The PHA must furnish to HUD accounts and other records, reports, documents and information, as required by HUD. For provisions on electronic transmission of required family data, see 24 CFR part 908.
- (c) HUD and the Comptroller General of the United States shall have full and free access to all PHA offices and facilities, and to all accounts and other records of the PHA tPHAt are pertinent to administration of the program, including the right to examine or audit